

Affected Public: American flag vessel owners/operators and ship's captains/masters.

Frequency: One time.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Sections 141, 193, 221, and 222.

OMB Desk Officer: Nancy Kirkendall, (202) 395-7313.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, room 5033, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Nancy Kirkendall, OMB Desk Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: March 31, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Annual Survey of State and Local Government Finance

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 7, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5033, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to David Kellerman, Chief, Finance Branch, Governments Division, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233-6800 [(301) 457-1502].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Annual Survey of State and Local Government Finance collects data on state government finances and estimates of local government revenue, expenditures, debt, and assets, nationally and within state areas. Data are collected for all agencies, departments, and institutions of the fifty state governments and for a sample of all local governments (counties, municipalities, townships, and special districts). The forms and procedures are similar to those used in previous annual surveys. Data for school districts are collected under a separate survey.

Results of this survey are used by the Bureau of Economic Analysis to develop the public sector components of the National Income and Product Accounts. Other Federal agencies that make frequent use of these data include the U.S. Federal Reserve Board, the Congressional Research Service, the General Accounting Office, and the Department of Justice. Other users include state and local government executives and legislators, policy makers, economists, researchers, and the general public.

II. Method of Collection

Canvass methodology consists of a mail out/mail back questionnaire. Responses will be screened manually, then put into an electronic format. Telephone follow-up is used to contact non-respondents and, as necessary, to correct apparent errors and incorrect responses. Other methods used to collect data and maximize response include central data collection and electronic reporting.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0585.

Form Number: F-5, F-5A, F-11, F-12, F-13, F-21, F-22, F-25, F-28, F-29, F-32, F-42.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: State and local governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 7,459.

Estimated Time Per Response: 3.5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 22,798.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: Cost to respondents is estimated to be \$353,369.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13, sections 161 and 182.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information

is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 31, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Firearms Convention

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Dawnielle Battle, BXA Information Collection Liaison, Department of Commerce, Room 6881, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: